

DECATUR HERALD

WENTY-THIRD YEAR

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First Game on April 20 and Last on September 20

TO SUPPRESS ROWDISM

LIPTON HAS A CUP LIFTER

Challenger Will Be Launched On St. Louis, Mo., March 5

NO ARRESTS HAVE BEEN MADE

MUST MAKE OPEN CONCESSIONS

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DECATUR BACKS!

FEW are the people in Decatur who never have a bad back. Nearly everyone you know has "now and then" an aching back--some suffer severely from backache pains, others have mild attacks that only harass, annoy and seem not serious. Many grievous mistakes are made through back neglect. Ever stop to think that there is reason for the weakness which causes every strain of the back--every cold--every exertion to bring backache pains? There will be less pain--less back trouble when 'tis understood the kidneys are to blame for it all nine times out of ten. The kidneys' constant call for help comes through the back--kidneys are overworked and become easily disordered, unable to perform their proper functions, then it is the back warns you to assist nature and right the wrong that is going on in the system causing impure blood to circulate and breed disease.

DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

CURE

All Kidney Complications from Common Backache to Dangerous Diabetes. Not an ill in the kidney calendar this great specific will not reach.

A TRIAL FREE

CURE

Inflammation of the Bladder, Infrequent and Too Frequent Urination, Excessive Urinary Discharges, Painful Urinary Passages, Dropsical Swellings, Kidney Rheumatism and Resultant Conditions of Uric Acid Poisoning.

DECATUR PROOF

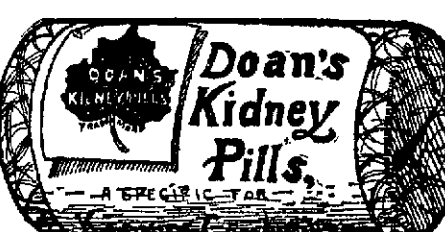
Mr. W. H. Sinclair of 858 North Mercer street, barber at J. H. Liston's shop on North Main St., says "In stooping or after a hard day's work my kidneys hurt me so that they felt as though they were being pulled apart. Being on my feet much and the position that I work in I think is the cause of my trouble. I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at a drug store and used it, when I was cured."

Mrs. Charles Joins of 251 East Olive street, says "I suffered from kidney complaint for years and as time went on it became deeper seated and caused me more misery each year. I had a steady aching pain in the small of my back, at times so severe that I was hardly able to get about and do any work. There was too frequent action of the kidney secretions, attended with scantiness and pain, and accompanied by bloating of the limbs. I was treated by a physician and used many remedies but I got no better. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and I obtained a box at a drug store. I received more benefit from them than from all the other treatment I had taken."

Mr. A. J. Thompson of 928 North Main street, carpenter, says, "For years my kidneys were irregular and caused pains across my back. I used plasters, but they benefited me only for the time being and when their effect wore off the pain returned. There was also the frequent action of the kidney secretions, which contained a heavy sediment. I learned of Doan's Kidney Pills, got them at a drug store and took them as directed and gradually the pain began to leave and the other symptoms to disappear. I continued the treatment until I was cured."

This coupon good for one free trial box of DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS. Write plainly name and address. Send to Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., and a free trial will be sent you promptly.

Free to Decatur Herald Readers.



Name.....
Street and No.....
Place.....
State.....

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Mr. W. T. Walmsley of 318 Washington street, who is a painter at the Union Iron Works, says: "I had pains in the small of my back and the kidney secretions were highly colored and painful. No doubt stooping so much at my work and the smell of turpentine and the paint was the cause of a good deal of my trouble. If my condition was not serious it was at least annoying. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and so highly endorsed by others who had used them that I got a box at a drug store. After taking them a few days I felt better and kept on with the treatment. In a little time afterwards there was no need in taking more, for I had no backache and the kidney secretions were normal in every way."

Mrs. E. Carmine of 428 North Church street, says: "I had a dull pain in the small of my back so severe at times that it made me restless throughout the night and little comfort during the day. It was accompanied with other symptoms which were annoying and distressing. I used other remedies but I got no relief until I tried Doan's Kidney Pills. I consider them the best kidney remedy I ever used. They benefited me in every way more than I hoped for when I began the treatment."

Mr. A. J. Anderson of 435 East Decatur street, telegraph operator, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills are advertised to cure backache, and they did it to perfection in my case. While lifting a large tub of water I think I strained my kidneys. If this was not the case it was certainly the commencement of my kidney troubles. I had a constant pain in my back and sides and was sleeping or turning about always wincing. At first I paid little or no attention to it, thinking that it would wear off, but I was mistaken, for it got worse right along. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and got a box at a drug store. I took them as directed, gradually the pain began to leave me, and when I had finished one box it left me entirely."

MANY ARE UNFIT

The State Board of Charity Scores Jail and Almshouses of Illinois.

Macon is Not Included.

Dewitt County Jail is Condemned--Telephone Company Sold.

Springfield, March 4--The condition of the almshouses and jails in many counties in southern Illinois is declared to be unsanitary and dangerous to health by the state board of charities in its seventeenth annual report. Criticism is aroused by the alleged neglect and lack of care, old and unsanitary buildings, bad plumbing or none at all, lack of bathing facilities, impure and insufficient supplies of water, and inadequate fire protection. With the exception of the institutions found wanting in essential comforts the commissioners believe the general conditions are improving in other parts of the state.

Not Fit for Humans.

In dealing with county jails, the report recites specific cases where the jails are not fit for human habitation. In Madison county there are no bath tubs. In the prison, and defective plumbing convey sewer gas into the building. The conditions in the Fulton county jail, the report says, could not be worse, the building being in a filthy condition. In the Pope county jail, it is said, the odor is almost overpowering. In Marshall county the light and ventilation in the jail are exceedingly poor, and the grand jury condemn the building at every session. The Brown county jail is pronounced a veritable death trap being damp, dark, poorly ventilated, and insecure.

Other counties in which jails are condemned by inspectors of the board are Adams, Alexander, DeWitt, Effingham, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Johnson, Massac, McHenry, Morgan, Pike, Putnam, Vermillion, Washington, and Winnebago.

Figures in Detail.

The reports give a detailed description of every almshouse and jail in the state, all of which were inspected by the auxiliary county board. At the date of inspection, which was June 30, 1902, the total number of inmates in the almshouses was 6,820. Of this number 2,988 were insane, 334 idiotic feeble-minded, fifty-four deaf mutes, 154 blind, 365 epileptics, 158 children under 16 years old, and 2,779 not classified, the majority of whom are old and decrepit. The report shows that there were 123 insane under restraint and 124 locked in rooms in the different almshouses. The report also shows that there were 1,284 prisoners in the county jails. Of this number 749 were awaiting trial, 853 were serving sentences, twenty-eight awaiting transfer to the penitentiary, nineteen awaiting transfer to the state reformatory, six debtors, and the help of her sex.

BANKER FELL TO HIS DEATH.

Frank Wilde Plunged From Windmill at Gilman, Ill.

TELEPHONE COMPANY SOLD.

Lincoln Mutual Becomes Property of Central Illinois Telephone Co.

Call Toronto Rector.

MARRIED.

Pease-Baker.

Justice J. H. McCoy officiated at the wedding of Alfred Pease of Ohio, and Miss Nancy Baker of Indiana. The groom is an agriculturist and they will go at once to housekeeping on his farm.

SELECT DECATUR

The Farmers' State Institute Will Meet in This City Next February.

SMALL COMMITTEE DID WORK.

Went at the Undertaking Quietly But Effectively.

They made no noise about it but they did the work. A committee of Decatur gentlemen quietly dropped over to Springfield Wednesday and convinced the officers of the Farmers' State Institute that Decatur was the proper place to hold their next meeting. After they had succeeded they came home and told what they had done. There was no fuss or feathers about it. From the beginning it was quiet and effective, and it means a whole lot to Decatur. It will bring thousands of people to the city and will attract here many of national reputation in agriculture, horticulture, stock raising, domestic science and other subjects pertaining to the farm and home. The meeting will be held during the month of February, beginning about the twenty-fifth.

Decatur had only one competitor, Joliet. The prison town, however, was never seriously considered. When it came down to a vote Decatur had thirteen and Joliet five. Later these thirteen men confidentially gave out the information that they voted for Joliet because they were from the north part of the state but that they recognized the wisdom of the majority in placing the meeting in this city.

Decatur's Representatives.

Decatur was represented before the board by Mayor Shilling, J. B. Burrows, Will Ennis, J. F. Given, Sheriff Thrift and Hon. A. J. Gallagher. They appeared before the institute Wednesday morning and Mayor Shilling acted as spokesman. He told the gentleman what a nice town Decatur was and how glad the people would be to welcome the institute. They were assured the use of the grand opera house and three additional halls for their meetings. The hotel and other accommodations, were enlarged upon and the fact made plain that this city was not only the most accessible from all points of the state but that it was simply able to take care of such a gathering as the state institute would attract. Good music was also assured them.

State Senator Bower of Joliet, who is also mayor of that city, was the town's representative and he put forth a strong plea but it was unavailing. Only one vote was necessary and that was 13 to 5 in favor of Decatur.

A Committee Coming.

A committee representing the state institute will shortly visit this city to make an examination of the town and the accommodations and to see if the pledges made them can be fulfilled. This committee will be composed of J. H. Coolidge of Galesburg, E. F.

It is a Great Big Thing.

The state institute is a great big thing. The meeting was held in Bloomington last week. Between fifteen hundred and two thousand visitors were present. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and other notable men were on the program. Professors from all the leading agricultural colleges of the country were there to speak.

Every department of the farm work was under the direction of an expert. The domestic science department which has become a prominent feature of these meetings was the most ably conducted of any ever held in this section of the state. All of these departments will be enlarged upon next year. The state institute as compared to the county institute, "is as the university of Illinois compared to the county schools."

Half Our Efforts Wasted

For All the Good Being Done We Might as Well Quit Right Now.

SOCIALISM TO WIN IN 10 YEARS.

Harry M. McKee, the socialist who is lecturing in the city this week, spoke last night at Miners' hall on the "Waste of the Present System." He made the startling statement that 50 per cent of the work done as industry as at present organized or unorganized, is absolutely useless, that society would really be better off without it, that so far as real value to mankind was concerned this enormous waste of effort would be abolished and everybody would be happily engaged in doing useful work--contributing to the real benefit of mankind.

Mr. McKee is an earnest and pleasing speaker and unlike those of his kind, never resorts to abuse. He says nobody in the world can afford to be sweet like the socialist, for he knows he is right and his cause is bound to win. He claims that socialism will win inside of the next ten years.

Mr. McKee will speak tonight and tomorrow night at Miners' hall and on next Sunday afternoon will deliver an address on "Socialism and Christianity" at the Tabernacle. From present indications there will be a large audience in attendance.

The debt we owe to ourselves is generally paid.

A light heart often means a light head.

TECHNICAL POINT

Is Sprung in the Jameson Divorce Case and the Attorneys Argue Without End.

PLEA OF FORMER ADJUDICATION.

Can the Woman Once Acquitted Be Again Tried on Same Accusation.

In the circuit court Wednesday the time was largely given up to arguments on law points in the Jameson divorce case and when adjournment time came half of the attorneys interested had not been able to say a word and they will probably talk all this forenoon.

After a jury of twelve men had been selected but not sworn, the attorneys for the defense filed two additional pleas and of course there were arguments to be made and the jury, though not sworn, were sent from the room and did not come back until court adjourned for the day, when Judge Cochran charged them the same as though they had been sworn.

Bertam Jameson is seeking to divorce his wife, Mary Jameson. He charges her with adultery and cruelty. A year ago there was a trial in this case, Jameson then charging his wife with adultery. She filed a cross bill asking that the decree be given on her petition charging Jameson with adultery and drunkenness.

There was a bitterly contested case and the jury returned a verdict that Mary Jameson was not guilty as charged in the cross bill. The court then dismissed both bills for want of equity at the cost of each complainant. The judge's docket at that time shows that a motion for a new trial was then overruled. The plaintiff in the original bill then asked leave to dismiss the bill without prejudice and that was allowed.

Stripped of all the technicalities this motion to dismiss without prejudice means that the plaintiff wished to be placed in the position as though the suit had never been instituted and to have the right to reinstitute the cause on the same charges as were made in the suit originally.

The plea filed by the defense yesterday after the jury had been accepted was that a mistake had been made at the conclusion of the first hearing in allowing the motion to dismiss without prejudice, the theory being that that motion should have been made before the jury retired. The defense held that the woman having been once tried by a jury on a given charge and acquitted, could not be put on trial a second time on the same charges. There was another plea, too, that the charge of cruelty was well known at the time the first bill was filed and that that charge should have been incorporated in the first bill.

To the first plea the complainant said that the theory of former adjudication advanced by the defense would be good in common law, but not in chancery practice.

RODGERS WAS SLOW.

Came Three Days Late to Meet His Wife and Children.

Saturday night there arrived in Decatur from Lovington Mrs. Frank Rodgers and her three children. She had expected to meet her husband at the station but he came not. She was without means and remained at the station expecting that he would appear in the morning. She explained her situation to the police department, saying that her husband had written her to come to this city that he had a position here and it was his intention to make his home in this city Sunday and Monday the woman and her children waited in the Central station while two police officers made efforts to locate Rodgers, but without avail. Tuesday morning the woman was given transportation to Prairie Home, where she said she had friends with whom she could temporarily at least, make her home.

Tuesday evening Rodgers arrived at the station looking for his wife. He seemed surprised that she was not there waiting for him.

Rodgers talked to Police Officer Dunnigan, who was disgusted to think that the fellow should come at that late day. Dunnigan said that the fellow was either tight-witted or indifferent and did not make any great effort to give him any information about the little family which had waited so patiently for the delinquent father.

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THE DEATH RECORD.

Charles Bland.

Charles Bland an old soldier died early Wednesday morning at St. Mary's hospital of a complication of diseases, aged 88 years.

The remains were taken to the undertaking parlors of Peter Feil where the funeral was held yesterday afternoon. The services were held under the auspices of Dunham Post, U. S. A. R. and Cyrus Imboden, chaplain of the post read the impressive ritual. The burial was in Greenwood and six comrades from the post acted as pallbearers.

When a man matches his shrewdness against that of a woman he finds out how much she is his superior.

Lincoln Woman Asks Damages for Injury to Hearing.

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To the Taxing Law of the State passed by A. G. Webber of This City.

POINTS OUT SOME INEQUALITIES

Especially that Resulting From Mortgaged Land.

A. G. Webber has proposed amendments to the present law. A rough draft of his ideas has been placed in the hands of the law. Mr. Webber's general ideas of changes necessary in given in the field Register. The article is so interesting that it inspires with so much confidence in the knowledge that it affords a full play and equal exact to all. The reverse is true in the case of the law which is a burden of taxation, when they are able to hear it, and in that way use the burden of taxation as a means of struggling for an amendment into disrepute, and the have a contempt instead of a for the law.

Everybody stood equal before the law, then the law would stand before everybody. If some people are those who stand ag inst the law, there is no such thing as a law support to free institutions long as inequalities in the law. The man who is content that he enjoys absolute full privilege and exact justice, and the law must respect and obey the other hand discontent and become always comes from those who know that the law unjustly exacts against them.

One of the greatest inequalities in the law is to remove all inequalities in the law. The government is not equal and exact justice is long as the law continues what it promises. On the other hand people lose confidence in the government, it must decline and die.

I have promised my article upon question of amending the law, so that the number of the law may not be unduly stimulated. I have promised to write of the mortgage that may be introduced. The first complaint that I against the present assessment law is that it is not equal. It is not equal in the matter of the mortgage that may be introduced. For example and to myself plain, I own a farm worth \$10,000. It is assessed at \$2,000, and I have a mortgage of \$5,000. This is (or ought to be) assessed \$1,200. Here is property upon there is a double assessment. The law requires me to pay a tax on when I have only \$4,000 invested. Why not tax the mortgage on \$5,000? It will make a tax of \$1,000, or full value of the farm. The owner of the land pays 150 per cent more on his land than the owner of the mortgage pays upon his mortgage. Is there any justice in this law?

The man who owns many mortgages for money is the taxpayer. It is especially true of not a few by real estate.

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Judicial Convention.
A delegate Republican Judicial convention of the sixth judicial circuit of Illinois, for the purpose of nominating three candidates for circuit judges of said district, will be held at the court house in Decatur, Macon county, Illinois, on March 12, 1903, at 11 a. m. The basis of representation shall be one delegate for every 300 voters, or fraction over 150 cast for Fred C. Brown for state treasurer in 1902. Number of delegates shall be as follows: Champaign Co. 17. DeWitt Co. 8. Douglas Co. 7. Macon Co. 16. Monticello Co. 5. Platt Co. 2. The manner of selecting delegates in counties where no delegates have been selected is referred to the proper authorities of said counties.
ROY WRIGHT, Chairman.
WILLIAM BOOTH, Secretary.
Decatur, Ill., Jan. 14, 1903.

GIVE OLD ADDRESS.
In changing addresses our patrons should not only give the new but the old address. It is impossible in a list of thousands of names to find the name to be changed unless the old post office is given.

BILLY MASON is now "all in."

Query—Can Morgan talk all summer?

The Boston massacre occurred March 5, 1770.

Ex-Senator William Emanuel Mason of Illinois—Glorious consummation.

The 57th congress went violently to its last sleep at 12 o'clock M. Wednesday.

No flowers.

If Cole Younger wants a "barber" for his show why does he not take Billy Mason? He is out of a job now.

An exchange of plibly summarizes by saying that congress went in like a statesman and went out like a chump.

Bryan is said to have told his friends that he would hold the convention if the gold bugs captured it. Bryan denies that he told anybody that he would. Still if the sacred ratio is stepped on Billy Bryan will "holter."

If no news is good news shall it be concluded that no legislation is good legislation? If so the Illinois general assembly is a remarkably good one. It has taken two months to do nothing. Not one bill is within shouting distance of being a law.

The extra session of the senate will not be haunted by omnibus statehood bills. All it will have to do will be to endure Morgan's unending talk. He is like the brook. He goes on forever. Perhaps he will run down when he realizes that there is no time limit on the senate's session.

The threatened Wabash strike is a forcible reminder of the great strike nine years ago. The engineers were then principally involved and the change that was wrought in the personnel of the running force amounted almost to a revolution.

Senator Rainey's effort to abolish the old "stink run" known as the Illinois and Michigan canal should meet with unanimous favor. It is a mere nest for hangers-on. The business of the canal amounts to almost nothing. The expense is great, mostly going into salaries. Abolish the canal.

"The Monroe doctrine is an empty pretension behind which is neither energetic will nor actual power." This is the statement of a German professor. Evidently the Kaiser looks at it in a different light. Germany has been very careful not to tread on Uncle Sam's Monroe doctrine too. Hence the position of Herr Wagner is a mere theory. Germany does not want to find out how much "actual power" is behind the "empty pretension."

The injunction against the labor leaders restraining them from ordering a strike on the Wabash is a novel procedure. The writ was issued by Judge B. Adams, judge of the United States circuit court at St. Louis. The ground for the restraining order was that the threatened strike would interfere with and delay the interstate commerce of the road. Until the court can hear the issues and determine the questions the labor leaders will respect the mandate of the court and no strike will be ordered.

Thrice in the history of this government a president has been inaugurated on a day other than the 4th of March. The first was George Washington who was inducted into office on April 30 owing to his inability to reach New York the then capital earlier. The other two cases were when March 4 came on Sunday the inauguration ceremonies taking place the next day. Zachary Taylor was inaugurated March 5, 1849, and Rutherford B. Hayes March 5, 1877.

TAX-PAYING WOMEN.

Since Representative Gray has declared himself on the question of tax-paying women being allowed to vote the matter assumes national importance. The following from the Boston Transcript will therefore be of great interest:

In speaking of the defeat of the woman suffrage bill, says the Advertiser: "In this commonwealth there are many women tax-payers who have no vote whatever to say on questions of debt or taxation." This is very true, but in what manner shall justice be done to these tax-paying women? If the suffrage is given to them because they are taxpayers, the women who are not taxpayers are discriminated against. On the other hand, if all women are given the suffrage, the ranks of the non-taxpayers are immensely increased. In municipal affairs, at least, is not the number of voters who have no personal interests immediately at stake quite large enough as it is? It is said that this is a country where all men are equal, it must follow that all women are equal. That is to say if the suffrage belongs to women at all, it belongs to all, regardless of whether they contribute directly to the support of the government or not. It is wholly inconsistent to argue that women who pay taxes have a right to vote not possessed by women who do not pay a tax, unless a like differentiation is made in the case of the men. It all comes to this—that the suffrage must be given to all women or none, or that only those men who pay taxes shall be permitted to vote. Here is a dilemma. How is it to be escaped from?

A MANLY LETTER.

The president's letter to the Atlanta Constitution is a manly appeal to the good sense of the people of the south. His statement that fitness for office shall be the basis of appointment regardless of the color of the skin is sound and unsoundable except by prejudice and race hatred. The south is added over the negro vote. The following from the Peoria Star is an able statement of the inevitable consequence of the course of the south. The Star is not a republican paper. It says that several states have absolutely deprived the colored man of all right at the polls. It is needless to say that this will result in returning him to slavery. There is no other possible outcome. The whole nation is pledged against this course. It would be the height of folly to allow it. The leaders of the colored race are making an earnest effort to elevate their fellows by teaching him to economize, by educating him along the lines of industrial effort, and in showing him that he can only be independent by accumulating. But if he be deprived of the right at the ballot box it will carry all other rights with it. He will be at the mercy of his past masters and they will speedily reduce him to vassalage. In most of the southern states, now, the colored tenant is unable to dispose of any part of his crop or sell the smallest portion of the produce of his hands until he has paid all the charges of his landlord down to the uttermost cent. These charges can be swollen by exactions for interest, for supplies, for advances, and for everything else that the ingenuity of man can devise and the unfortunate renter must pay everything demanded of him before he can devote a penny to his own needs. These laws have grown more exacting, with the flight of years, and every effort made to lift the burden has been defeated by the united protest of the white element. It is a bitter question, but this is certain, that justice must in the end be done and only by doing justice can the nation prosper.

THE CLOSING CONGRESS.

The Congress which ends today has been one of the best in the history of this government. It is practically the administration of President Roosevelt. The first session convened about three months after his accession to the great office made vacant by the cruel assassination of William McKinley. It was no easy task he undertook. That he has met his responsibilities ably, honestly, fearlessly is generally recognized. He has been an efficient force in shaping policies and guiding the country into safe and better methods.

Congress has been in utmost harmony with the president. It too has met public expectation and requirement. The idiotic and perverse Quayism and Morganism in the senate coupled with the democratic spite and revenge over the unseating of a Missouri congressman in the house have been the only serious drawbacks to progress and growth. These exhibitions of Jackassism, however, came so late as to work little lasting harm. The extra session of the senate will be of little real concern to the country. The Panama canal and Cuban reciprocity treaties will be ratified speedily. Congress is entitled to much credit. It has done many things which are for the lasting advantage of the American people. It has pushed an act for the construction of an isthmian canal, thus bringing to practical realization a half-century's aspiration of the people of the United States. It has abolished the war taxes levied in 1898 for the support of the government during the Spanish war. The Chinese exclusion law has been extended by it, and modified to meet some requirements which had not presented themselves when the law was previously dealt with by Congress. It has passed several acts calculated to curb the pernicious activity of the trusts. A law for needed army reform, which is designed to strengthen the military service at points where strengthening was needed, has been put upon the statute book. The navy has received intelligent attention. Under a law of this Congress a department of commerce and labor has been put in operation. A national irrigation act, dictated by the trans-Mississippi region, has been passed, which will add immensely to the productive capabilities of the states and territories between the great river and the Pacific, and to help to divert to that part of the country the immense stream of Americans which is now flowing across the border into Canada.

PAYING THE PENALTY.

The predicament in which A. A. Ames, for many years mayor of Minneapolis now finds himself, is one which ought to be more powerful than a volume of sermons in illustrating the great truth that wrong doing does not pay, and sooner or later is bound to bring the transgressor to a sad and melancholy end. The dispatches recently told of how Ames, a fugitive from justice, has been found in an obscure town in the state of New Hampshire, a physical wreck, and evidently also on the verge of a mental collapse. It is not necessary to recite in detail the long, sensational and notorious official career of this man. It is well known in the west. Ames was a man of good ability. Nature had been sufficiently kind to him so that he did not need to lead the life of an official crook in order to make progress in the world. He made his bed with debauchery. He aligned himself with the scum which floats to the surface in every large city. He consented to accept the support of those municipal buccaners who prey upon the people of the urban community. Such a dynasty of outlawry may be able to perpetuate itself for a few years, but its down fall will eventually take place. The day came when Minneapolis, like a great lioness, arose from her slumber. The manner in which wholesale corruption was exposed, and the guilty brought to the bar of justice, is familiar history. Ames heard of the coming storm, and fled. The detectives, however, were upon his track, and although once or twice he succeeded in eluding them, they found him at last. There is a talk of fighting extradition papers. It is possible that the experts in legal technicality may be able to prevent him from being taken back to the community which, as an official, he has done so much to debauch. But over and above all these contingencies arises the fact that a man of high official position, spent years in sowing to the wind, and is now reaping a whirlwind more devastating than anything of which he probably ever dreamed. In St. Louis scores of men have lately been convicted and sentenced to terms of imprisonment for doing the things of which Ames was guilty. These are the penalties which men have to pay for wrong doing, and in the case of Ames, his is a greater punishment than mere fine or imprisonment. Not only morally, but physically and mentally he is an abject, miserable and pitiable wreck. Will the influence of such a life-lesson be wholly lost?—The Capital.

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play and undertook to break up the game because they could not have their own way. The country will tolerate dilatory tactics to defeat a public measure on which opinion is divided. On mere resentment such a course is senseless and almost criminal. Democrats do not help their poor weak and wabbling cause by such tactics. Richardson retires and will have the last thought of the country as a filibusterer for mere revenge.

'A TAKING WAY.

A Chicago actress in talking with the editor of the St. Paul Times declares that Mrs. James Brown Potter owes her great success in life to her manners. "When you are in the presence of Mrs. Potter, and she is talking to you, you feel there is no one else in the world in whom she is so interested. Her eyes glow with feeling, the tones of her voice are cordial with friendly interest and her whole personality breathes kindly consideration and good will. It was this personal magnetism in her look, tone of voice, and gesture, which won her the warm admiration of her social rivals when she quipped it in New York society; these same qualities have been the special genius which has captivated dramatic critics, and won for her a world-wide fame as an artist of the first rank."

AN EXTRA SESSION OF THE U. S. SENATE.

Only one more day of congress. It closes at noon tomorrow.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

Even the socialists do not like Hearst's yellow journals. They fear he is trying to make democrats of them.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

The Boston Advertiser is 100 years old today, the first issue being dated March 3, 1803. It is a pretty lively centenarian.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

With the democratic filibusters in the house and Morgan in the senate the last days of congress were full of thorns and griefs.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

Grover Cleveland is to be the orator at the dedication of the St. Louis exposition. Of course Mr. Bryan does not wish an invitation.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

Unless the government makes a larger appropriation it is freely predicted that the Decatur postoffice will not be so well housed in the new building as it is at present.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

A monument to General Grant will be erected at the national capital by the government, \$250,000 having already been appropriated. It will be the finest in the world.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

Congressman De Armond's attempt to marry off Uncle Sam to Miss Canada will be little more than a passing flirtation. Canada is too confirmed an old maid to yield to the seductive wooing of your Uncle Samuel.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

Bryan wants to know what Grover stood for. That is easy. He stood for the presidency twice and was elected. Bryan stood for the same thing twice but the outcome was different.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

Alexander Graham Bell, one of the inventors of the telephone was born March 2, 1847. He is 56 years old. It seems incredible that such an indispensable instrument as the telephone should have been so recently put into use.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

Senator Morgan will have the fine consolation that he alone has made an extra session of the senate necessary. Perhaps he wanted to see whether or not he could do it. When it is all over his satisfaction will be that the ratification of the Panama canal treaty is delayed a week or ten days. Such mulish men as Morgan belong in a stable not the national capitol.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

There is a large section of the democratic party which would willingly pay Bryan a larger sum as a farewell consolation purse than Patti is to receive for her alleged last concert tour. Bryan is very hale and hearty. He proposes to see that no man who was untrue to Bryanism in the last two campaigns shall have the support of the Bryan contingent. Without this faction the hopeless democratic cause becomes even more desperate.

THE BOSTON MASSACRE.

On March 2, 1838 Texas issued its declaration of independence from Mexico. March 3, 1837 the United States acknowledged this independence. Nine years later Texas became a part of the territory of this country and afterwards was admitted as a state in the federal union. The annexation of Texas brought on the war with Mexico which resulted in the addition of a large portion of territory, including California, New Mexico, etc.

HOME SUSTAINED

Investigation of Roberts Case at Mattoon Results Favorably to the Board of Trustees.

HER CONTRACT FOR CARE

Was Made With the Lexington Lodge—Some of the Evidence.

THE TRUSTEES' SIDE.

Mattoon, March 4.—Special to the Herald.—The investigation of the Mrs. Roberts' case at the Old Fellows' Old Folks' Home, came to an end today after the presentation of her side of the case.

The trial board made up of their decision but declined to withhold it from the public until the next meeting of the board of trustees in April.

The decision sustains the trustees of the home, and holds that the lodge at Lexington must take care of Mrs. Roberts. It is held that her contract was with that lodge and not with the board of trustees of the home.

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WHAT A STRIKE ON WABASH MIGHT SPREAD AND SURPASS COAL STRIKE.
S ALLEGED CONTEMPT
Laboring Men's Organization, writing to instances of Miss...
TOOK HIM A NUMBER OF YEARS.
Just Made His Last Payment and Now Mind Is At Rest.
PROMINENT LINCOLN PAIR WED.
Leonard Miller and Miss Bernice Mayfield are United.
DIES OF HEART FAILURE.
Mrs. Andrew Halford Dies Very Suddenly at Edinburg.
VARIETY IN INSURANCE.
Right to Business in Various Lines Will Be Tested.
ALL OPTIONS WITHDRAWN
Decatur Traction Company Receives Notice That Will Increase Construction Expenses \$700.
RAILS COST \$2 MORE PER TON.
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Rockford, Ill., March 3.—One of the merchants of Rockford has been carrying on an interesting correspondence with a self-confessed burglar, who, however, has managed to shield his name and address.
The merchant lost a quantity of goods ten years ago. Some months afterward he received a letter in which the writer said he was the man who had stolen from him, had experienced religion and wanted to settle.
The merchant sent to the address given a statement of account, and received in return \$10. After several years elapsed, another like remittance came along, and now the unknown individual sent in the balance and the account is closed, although his identity remains unknown.
PROMINENT LINCOLN PAIR WED.
Leonard Miller and Miss Bernice Mayfield are United.
Lincoln, March 3.—Leonard Miller and Miss Bernice Mayfield were married at the bride's home last evening by Rev. Mr. Kaye, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. They left for a trip to Chicago and will reside here upon their return.
The groom is a well known dry goods merchant of Lincoln. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Lucy Mayfield and of the late Hon. Abraham Mayfield and is prominent socially.
DIES OF HEART FAILURE.
Mrs. Andrew Halford Dies Very Suddenly at Edinburg.
Edinburg, Ill., March 3.—Mrs. Andrew Halford died at her residence in this city Sunday evening of heart disease. Mrs. Halford had only been sick a few minutes and died before medical assistance arrived.
VARIETY IN INSURANCE.
Right to Business in Various Lines Will Be Tested.
Springfield, March 3.—Insurance Superintendent Yates to whom was submitted the question some time ago of the right of a life insurance company incorporated under the laws of another state to transact business and an accident and liability insurance business today decided that in view of the fact that these companies had for many years been doing business in the state with the acquiescence of the insurance department, and in view of the importance and difficulty of the questions involved, he has decided not to take any action until the matter has been decided by the courts, and today instructed his attorney to bring proceedings in the supreme court to that purpose. In the meantime licenses will continue to issue to companies as in the past.
OVERDOSE OF MORPHINE
Taken by Traveling Man Results in Death.
Taylorville, March 3.—A dose of morphine administered to allay a severe pain brought about the death of W. O. Bowles, of Taylorville, today. Mr. Bowles was suffering from a throat trouble. He was 43 years of age. For the past two years he has been employed as traveling salesman for the Racine Wagon company.
PARENTS RESCUE CHILDREN.
Save Seven Children By Rushing Through Fierce Flames.
Springfield, March 3.—Mr. and Mrs. George Winterbauer, residing at Fancy Prairie, imperiled their lives this morning in order to rescue their seven children from their burning residence. Having smoke and flames, the father and mother rushed to the second story of the dwelling and carried out the little ones, the eldest of whom is less than 10 years old.
The parents were seated at the breakfast table when the house caught fire in the upper portion from a defective fuse. They knew nothing of the danger until a neighbor rushed in to the house to advise them that the whole upper portion was afire.
ORGANIZE TODAY.
Farmers of Mt. Zion Township Will Meet at Decatur Hall.
The farmers of Mt. Zion township have been called to meet at the republican hall in this village this afternoon for the purpose of discussing the advisability of forming an organization, the prime object of which is to establish an elevator company to be owned and be controlled by farmers. Organizations of this kind are springing up all over the state. This is the first move in that direction in Macon county. Many of the farmers are of the opinion that they will be meeting in the afternoon at 2 o'clock. The meeting is called for 1 o'clock and E. C. Bergfeld of Broadlands will be there to explain the plan in detail.
Trotter Sold.
Mel Crews of Arcola has sold his recently mare, Antelope, 13-14 to H. H. Knott of Eureka. The price was \$1425. Antelope contested in the races at Decatur last fall.
A PHYSICIAN WRITES.
"I am desirous of knowing if the profession can obtain Eberline in bulk for prescription purposes? It has been of great use to me in treating cases of dyspepsia, indigestion, or excess or overwork. I have never known it to fail in restoring the organs affected to their healthful activity." 50c bottle at Kings Drug Store and Bell, the Druggist.
A FINE ANIMAL.
At Maroa a few days ago Will Wallace purchased the stallion, Glibber. He is a beautiful specimen of horse flesh, stands 16 hands high, and weighs 1200 pounds. His color is cherry bay. Wallace has not yet determined if he will sell him as a fancy show horse or keep him at his place north of the city.

None of the coal rights have been held at high prices and the general idea being that all would reap some benefit from the new venture.
COCHRAN GIVES BURN ORDER
Gaming Devices Stored in Court House for Many Months Will be Burned by Sheriff.
JEMISON DIVORCE CASE TODAY.
In the circuit court yesterday Judge Cochran entered an order that the gaming devices confiscated from Sheriff's deputies many months ago should be burned. There are two or three wagon loads of crap, poker and roulette tables stored at various places in the city and they will make a big bonfire.
The work on the criminal docket is practically at an end for the present. The balance of the week will be devoted to the divorce cases. The Jemison divorce case being set for today.
The docket orders entered yesterday follow:
Law.
Massena B. Cooper vs American Express Co. Case, Rule on defendant to plead by the 7th Monday.
A. T. Riley vs J. M. Miller; trespass on the case, Rule on defendant to reply or join issue by the 7th Monday.
A. T. Riley vs J. M. Miller; trespass on the case on promissory, Rule on issue or plead by the 7th Monday.
Chancery.
Mrs. J. O. Rapp vs. Jos. B. Robb; an order at creditor's bill, Defendant answered.
W. L. Johnson vs. Mary Battenmeyer, foreclosure, Stricken.
Decatur Milling Co. vs. E. A. Stephens, et al, foreclosure, Stricken.
W. Jenkins vs. Fannie E. Jenkins, divorce, Stricken.
Ellen Hauson et al vs. Mary J. Dempsey, partition, Continued.
Fred W. Kater vs. Henry W. Kater, et al, Chancery, Decatur vs. Kater, et al, entered as of Oct. 18, 1932.
Eva May Warren vs. John W. Warren, divorce, Dismissed at cost of plaintiff.
Pearl Maud Cain vs. John Cain; divorce, Continued for service.
Miller & Hart vs. Harry Ruthrauff, et al, Chancery, Referred to master.
C. R. Scroggins vs. J. L. Robertson, bill to quiet title, Stricken.
Elwood Gossett vs. Alice Gossett, divorce, Dismissed by complainant.
George Stern vs. Samuel Stern et al, divorce, Dismissed by complainant.
Nancy A. Helmick vs. David Helmick, divorce, Continued for service.
Criminal.
Wm. Parks; gaming and gaming house, Motion for new trial.
Ludwig Loskowski; burglary and petty larceny, Motion to quash overruled.
J. Bert Kersen; burglary and petty larceny, Nollid.
Gustav Freund, forgery, Nollid.
Otha Drake and Cool Grebe; burglary, Nollid.

Our Council.
Editor Herald.—It would prove quite profitable if a greater number of our citizens would attend the meetings of the city council. During the past few days petitions have been circulated among the veterans to the effect that they band themselves together to support old soldiers for office in preference to any other candidates. Some of the veterans have signed and some have refused. It is expected that they will hold a meeting tomorrow night to discuss the matter.
The report sent out by the Associated Press that President Roosevelt had adopted a coat of arms, or a paludamentum, upon which is emblazoned a stork volant, bearing a baby in its beak, flanked on either side by a rabbit couchant and a cat rampant, has been contradicted. He is too much interested in Secretary Wilson's efforts to produce a breed of featherless chickens to adopt a heraldic design. The secretary of agriculture, the dispatches state, is devoting his entire time to this interesting experiment. He wants a breed of chickens in the all together, and seeks to strip the faithful old Biddy of her clothes and turn her out in the cold, cold world, featherless and forlorn. He would be doing more for the chicken eating sons of men if he would seek to eliminate the neck and erase the meatless back. If successful with this experiment he will endeavor to create a hairless hog that will not need scraping and an underless cow that can be milked with a faucet! The secretary of agriculture is a crank on chicken-saving animals.
Don't be foolish, don't get gay. If on the hens no feathers grew. What would the chicken pickers do? Turn your attention from the hen, And breed a race of beardless men. But gill, if men no whiskers grew, What would the barbers have to do? You might, perhaps, a breed begin Of men and women without sin. But if the world of sin you rot, How could the preachers hold their jobs?
On the fourth of March the Fifty-seventh congress will climb the golden stairs and Billy Mason will shed his senatorial toga. Billy was born poor but healthy and carved his way to the dizzy heights of fame by delivering impromptu extemporaneous speeches which were full of unctuous eloquence and lard-soaked humor, however, to him, however, is that he doesn't recognize the necessity of the whisper and the pussy-foot in politics, and his laurels have been ruthlessly torn from his burling brow and after the fourth of March he will attract less attention than the bob-tailed coyote from Cripple Creek, or the mungo mountain lion from Arizona. He will soon become a painful reminiscence, a political caution, an abrogated legend, a played out symbol of the writings of the past.
The only important historical date in March is the 17th, St. Patrick's Day. St. Patrick was a jolly dandy who went to Ireland and posed as a true son of Erin and adopted an Irish name. He chased the snakes out of Ireland into the sea, except one old serpent. He finally coaxed this old reptile into a box, jammed down the lid, and threw him into the ocean. The waves of the sea took up the serpent and the roar of the ocean is caused by his moanings. Those of our readers who refuse to believe this story, are hereby anathematized and excommunicated from the Ancient Order of Ringtailed Prevercatarians.
March will be a tempestuous month. It always is. It will come in a lynch and go out a lynch. Fierce winter gales will sweep us about the 6th and all all snakes. It will be much colder up about Hudson's Bay than it is here. The moon will full on the 13, be in apogee on the 22nd, and in an elliptical apogee on the 28th. The sign this month will be in Aries, the Ram, which is the daddy of the whole zodiac. Along about the 30th the housewife will carry the old geranium stumps out of the cellar and put fresh bring in the new. This will be a sure sign spring has come.
O robin, robin redbreast, we soon will hear you sing, the blue birds and the swallows will both be on the wing, the lilac buds will quicken and soon begin to swell, the daisies and the violets will bloom down in the dell, the horney-handed farmer will scour up his plow, and the great, big, leazy buzzards will be hunting for dead cow!

Don't worry. You'll have more fun if you let the other fellow do the worrying.
MARRIED.
Houseman-Wright.
Guy W. Houseman of Springfield and Miss Francis Wright of this city were quietly married Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock by Justice James O'Mara at his office on East Main street. The bride wore a neat traveling costume of dark cloth. The groom is a pharmacist and they will reside in Springfield.
WILL BEHOLD MAIL.
Today Frank Bobb of this city will report at Chicago as one of the men who will deliver the mail to the government on the Santa Fe train between Chicago and Kansas City. He received his commission several days ago.

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W. H. Bean was in Decatur yesterday and called on Supt. Robertson of the Wabash. Mr. Bean is one of the promoters of the plan to sink a coal shaft at Blue Mound and wanted to make what arrangements could be made with the railroad company for side tracks, etc.
The promoters of the coal mine are now in a position to talk precise propositions but they want to have some information on such subjects, so that when they finally meet to perfect their organization they will know that all of the necessary contingencies.
The promoters have not yet determined at what point they will locate their shaft and that reason could not tell Supt. Robertson just what they would want. Supt. Robertson said that the company would put in what sidetracks were necessary upon the usual terms. There is a stipulated form of contract provided for such cases and the Blue Mound folks will come in on the same terms as all others.
The only concession arrived at is that in more convenient for the railroad company if the shaft was located upon the east side of the tracks in which case the coal could be taken to the north end of the town. There are some changes contemplated in the Wabash tracks at Blue Mound during the coming season and it may be that the mine site will be on the east side of the right of way.
Mr. Bean said that the men living near and in Blue Mound had already agreed to subscribe for the full amount of the \$100,000 capital stock for which the men interested will have a meeting within a few days and at that time they will decide a number of the questions which are now open. There has been a belief that the first thing would be to make an experiment in how to recover what would be encountered when the shaft was sunk. It is possible that the experimental bore will be abandoned and the work on the shaft begun at once but that cannot be known until the stock is subscribed and the stockholders have a meeting.
The company will have a big lot of coal rights from the start. Some of the rights have been given an inducement to get the work started and some have been sold at a reasonable figure.

Children's Coughs and Colds.
Mrs. J. McGraw writes: "I have given Ballard's Horehound Syrup to my children for coughs and colds for the past many years, and find it the best medicine I ever used. Unlike many cough syrups, it contains no opium, but will soothe and heal any disease of the throat or lungs, quicker than any other remedy. It costs 50c and \$1.00 at King's Drug Store and Bell, the Druggist."
Helped Cattle.
Reuben Cobb, carrier on rural route No. 6 a few days ago received a handsome present from the persons to whom he delivers milk along that route. The good cow, which he owned and the farmers made up a purse of \$39.25 and it was presented to him by John Miller. The loss of the home meant much to Cobb and he is not ungrateful for the kindness of the people who befriended him.
So Sweet and Pleading to Take.
Mrs. C. Peterson, 826 Lake St., Topeka, Kan., writes: "I have never failed to give entire satisfaction, and all of my remedies, it is my favorite. It is called 'Coughs and Colds' and it is what I need. I have tried many other remedies, but I have never found one so sweet and so pleasing in taste." 25c at King's Drug Store and Bell, the Druggist.
Officers Elected.
At the regular meeting of Decatur Lodge No. 65, K. of P., Tuesday evening the following officers were elected:
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Financial Secretary—Andrew Seller.
Treasurer—T. C. Kitchen.
Trustees—C. M. Borchers, A. H. Diehl, E. E. Johnston, C. K. Young and J. H. Weaver.
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